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SAVORY DIVORCE CASE THIS WEEK

Salacious Testimony Absorbed Ravenously by Idlers of Both Sexes.

HUSBAND AND WIFE EACH ASKS DIVORCE

Former Medina Meat Cutter Is Named as Co-respondent by Plaintiff in Petition.

No filthier divorce suit has been heard by a Medina court in many years than the one which was begun before Judge N. H. McClure on Tuesday of this week.

The litigants are Geo. A. Huffman and Nettie Huffman. The former filed suit against his wife for divorce several months ago, alleging among other things unfaithfulness. A short time later defendant entered a formal denial with a suit in cross petition.

The Huffmans were married Dec. 8, 1892, and have two children. In his petition plaintiff charged that his wife between Aug. 1 and Dec. 4, 1920, at the Union Hotel in Medina, committed adultery repeatedly with one Robert E. Nurse, and that on Dec. 4 she disappeared, Nurse leaving at the same time.

In his petition plaintiff states that previous to Sept. 30, 1920, he was the owner of a farm in Medina township, about which time he sold it. He was also joint owner with his wife of the Union Hotel property in Medina, which he and his wife were conducting at that time. The petition states that the wife refused to sign the deed conveying the farm until plaintiff conveyed to defendant the deed to the hotel property. This he says he did. He asks the court not only to grant him a divorce, but also to set aside the deed to the hotel property, alleging that there was no money consideration when the deed was conveyed to the wife.

Soon after defendant filed her cross petition, plaintiff filed an amended petition in which defendant is charged with additional and subsequent acts of infidelity, one of which was that defendant and R. E. Nurse had registered at the City Hall hotel, Covington, Ky., as man and wife on Dec. 24, 1920, and spent the night together in room 12.

In connection with this last charge, Arthur Van Epp, counsel for plaintiff, and G. W. Smith, representing defendant, were in Covington on April 7 of this year to take the depositions of Clyde Chitwood and his mother, Martha Chitwood, who operate the City Hall hotel. From the depositions of the Chitwoods it appears that when first shown pictures of plaintiff and defendant they were of the opinion that the pictures tallied with the description of the two persons who occupied room 12 on Dec. 4. Later.

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MANY ARRIVING FOR S. S. CONVENTION

As the Sentinel went to press Thursday noon representatives from the various Sunday schools of this county were beginning to arrive in goodly numbers for the 36th annual Sunday school convention of Medina county, which opened at the Congregational church Thursday forenoon, and will occupy two days, Thursday and Friday.

The program as outlined for both days is a strong one, and the convention bids fair to be as successful in every respect as the one held here a year ago, which was conceded to be one of the very best ones held in recent years.

A new and interesting feature will take place the first evening when about 50 men will demonstrate and "Adult Class in Action", showing how a real, live, up-to-the-minute class ought to conduct itself. A second demonstration will take place following this adult stunt showing how this class visits the sick.

The second evening will have a third demonstration showing the Home Department at work.

The devotional exercises at the beginning of every session will be changed this year and Rev. Wm. Vickers of Miles Avenue Church of Christ, of Cleveland, will take up the "Life of Jesus" for one-half hour.

Song leader this year will be John Urban, of Lakewood.

WILL CHECK WEIGHT ON ROAD MATERIALS

A check-up system in the weight of materials delivered for road building purposes by State Auditor Tracey is likely to result in the state and counties getting as nearly as possible all they are paying for.

That there have been gross discrepancies in the past there is no doubt. In fact, only two weeks ago work was held up on the pike north of Seville because of shortage in weight of a car load of slag, brought to light by an inspection made by a federal and state officer, the discrepancy amounting to 5 pounds to the foot, says County Engineer Bibbins.

Realizing that it is impossible to weigh every load of such materials, the auditor has devised a system whereby frequent checks will be made at such times and places as will give the companies and their operatives no opportunity to "cover up."

Revelations in Franklin county recently, showing that many loads of road material delivered fail to measure up to the delivery slip figures, are believed to have been the partial cause, at least, of the inauguration of the new system.

Books and records in every county in the state will be inspected by examiners of the state bureau of accounting, beginning July 1, with particular attention being given to road building materials, and a system is contemplated whereby frequent checks of actual weights can be made.

The general assembly recently gave the state auditor additional funds for prosecuting various inquiries, \$12,000 having been appropriated to assist him in checking highway expenditures.

About \$3,000 of that amount will go toward auditing the records of the state board of administration.

SUNDAY BASE BALL TABOO IN WADSWORTH

The council of Wadsworth passed an ordinance last week prohibiting Sunday baseball in the village. The Wadsworth Athletics have leased the old East street grounds and declare they will continue the game, claiming that Sunday baseball is legalized in Ohio and disclaiming council's right to enforce the ordinance recently passed. The results will be watched with interest.

BASEBALL BOOMING

The interest in all the Medina county communities participating in the Y. M. C. A. baseball league is growing more intense as the games advance. The next two weeks will finish the first round of games excepting for a couple of postponements. Several of the captains say that the return games in July will be a different story from the one now on record.

Brunswick holds the lead in the Senior league, being the only team with a perfect score. Granger holds a similar position in the Junior league. The percentages of the teams in both leagues are as follows:

Senior League: Brunswick 1000, Granger 500, Leroy 500, Mallet Creek 333, Medina 333, Litchfield 333.

Junior League: Granger 1000, Litchfield 500, Seville 500, Mallet Creek 333, Leroy 333, Medina 0.

The return games, arranged in the schedule, will be completed about the middle of August, closing the 1921 league. The team then holding the highest percentage in each league will be awarded the silver loving-cup trophy. This will be presented at the county fair in September.

WHEAT INSPECTOR HERE

J. W. Price of Madison county, arrived in the county June 22 to inspect the fields of wheat for which applications have been made. He will spend June 23, 24, and 25 visiting the various fields, judging them as to purity, weeds, smut, etc. The following men have filed applications for this work:

Gail T. Abbott, Medina; C. R. Canfield, Lafayette; E. N. Whitman & Son, Lafayette; C. E. Dickerman, York; Ira Fleck, Montville; N. W. Gelsinger, York; C. H. Rodgers, Montville; M. O. Perkins, Medina; W. R. Clark, Montville; L. B. Nettleton, Westfield; Arthur G. Abbott, Wadsworth; Grant E. Tillotson, Brunswick; Carl B. Abbott, Montville; J. J. Reutter, Liverpool; R. O. Bowman, Medina; B. E. and C. F. Coply, Sharon; H. B. Wideman, Lafayette; L. L. Rummell, Granger.

Any one desiring to avail himself of Mr. Price's judgment should phone to the Farm Bureau office no later than Saturday morning of this week.

MORE STUNTS FOR FOURTH AT LAKE

Legion Boys Adding to Plans for Entertainment at Big Jubilee.

ROADS REPAIRED TO FACILITATE ACCESS

Fearless Aviators to Perform Difficult Feats at High Altitudes and Take Up Passengers.

With three or four roads over which one may journey to Chippewa Lake the main one of which is now undergoing repair, it is expected that they all will be congested on July 4 with thousands of people on their way to Medina county's noted summer resort to enjoy the grand celebration of the nation's birth provided by the American Legion.

Members of the Legion are sparing no pains to make this event the crowning one in the history of Medina, and when then they give assurance of what a stupendous celebration it is to be, all doubt is at once removed, as their past record with this respect may safely be accepted as a criterion for the future.

While the day and evening will be one continuous round of pleasure, two features will be outstanding because of their comparative rarity these days. They are the sham battle and the aeroplane flights. The former will be staged by veterans of the 37th Division, with full equipment, consisting of rifles, trench mortars, etc., and for realism and excitement promises everything one could wish. Expert aeronauts will perform all manner of hair-raising feats high in mid-air, and opportunities will be afforded all who desire to make flights.

Two ball games are scheduled for the forenoon, the first one between Seville and Wooster at 9 a. m., the second one between Valley City and Elyria fire department.

Manager Beach of Chippewa Lake park states that he will be in a position to take care of the crowd, regardless of size, in the way of food and refreshments.

Officers and committees for the celebration are as follows:

Manager-in-chief—C. D. Rickard.
Chief of Police—Wm. Bohley.
Fireworks—Harry Riegger, A. E. Indoe, Roy Hoddinott.
Gates and Traffic—S. Hartman, A. Schmidt, Henry Riegger.
Sports—Fred Bohley.
Music—Ford Cannon, Jos. Seymour, M. Seymour.
Finance—B. Davenport, S. Lance, Marshall Bryant.
Advertising—A. Long, C. Griessinger, L. Longacre.
Concessions—H. Lanphear, R. House, J. Munson.
Sham Battle—E. Kennan.
Lighting—York Dudley.

WILL REPAIR PIKE IN TIME FOR THE FOURTH

The pike south of Medina to the lake road is to be temporarily repaired in time to facilitate traffic to and from Chippewa Lake park on the Fourth of July. This was decided by the County Commissioners on Monday when they were met by a delegation from the Medina Kiwanis club who asked them for a small appropriation for the repair work in behalf of the American Legion boys who are putting on the big celebration at the lake. The Kiwanis delegation was accompanied by County Engineer Bibbins, who assured the commissioners that if the appropriation was made he would see that the repair work was done by July 4.

The pike is to be rebuilt as soon as Medina village gets around to dispose of \$1075 worth of its bonds to defray its share of the cost, legislation for which was completed some time ago. But as the summer is half gone and there is but little likelihood of the work being done this year the commissioners were persuaded to the expediency of temporary repairs, particularly at this time when it may mean so much for the success of the American Legion celebration, in which all the people of the country naturally are interested. Engineer Bibbins will have nearly \$200 for the work.

THINKS HEALTH BOARD MISTAKEN

Auditor Disagrees as to Comparative Cost of Operating.

ISSUES STATEMENT OF FACTS AND FIGURES

Insists That All Appropriations Must Fall Within the Prescribed Tax Limitations.

Under date of June 2 there appeared in the Sentinel an open letter from the Medina County Board of Health in regard to finances for the year 1921, and the probable amount for 1922.

The assertion was made that they believed the cost of operating under the old system where each township and village paid their own health expenses greatly exceeded the cost of operating under the new system.

Concerning the assertion of the health board, County Auditor Washburn issues the following statement:

"In the year 1919, which was the year before the Hughes-Griswold law became effective, there was a total sum of \$111.41 expended by all the townships and villages in the county for health purposes, such as quarantine, fumigation, health officers, etc. Last year the health board filed a budget for \$64.10 for expenses for the year 1921, which were classified as follows:

"\$2400 for nurse and expenses, including purchase of second hand Ford car.
"\$1000 for incidentals, covering printing, quarantine, fumigation, pay to deputies, quarantine of sick, poor, etc.
"\$3000 for salary of health commissioner, including transportation and all expenses.

"The \$4000 item was cut to \$500 by the Budget Commission, leaving a total for health purposes of \$5900, or which \$2000 was to be paid by the state and \$3900 by the townships and villages, according to the taxable valuation in each.

"Therefore the cost of operating under the new system for this year will exceed the old system for the year 1919 by \$4788.59, and yet they say they will run short of funds.

"The budget on file for next year asks for \$7400 and there is practically no change in the tax limitation and no doubt valuations will be lower owing to the depreciation in personal property.

"The law provides that the money levied as their share of the county health fund shall be taken from the general fund of each township and village, and last year none of the villages and very few of the townships could levy enough inside the tax limitation in their general fund for current expenses, without the health fund.

"The open letter of the health board stated that it is up to the Budget Commission to say how much they can have to spend for next year. That is true as far as it goes, but the Budget Commission is governed by the tax limitation for each fund or funds and have no right to exceed such limitations.

W. S. WASHBURN
County Auditor

At a meeting of the Medina County Medical Society held in the court house, at Medina, on June 15, the following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, by the Medina County Medical Society that we as a body of medical men favor the continuation of the present health laws, requiring the full time of a medical man as health commissioner.

Whereas, we feel the services rendered the past year by the health commissioner and visiting nurse, by their efforts of school examination of pupils, etc., are worthy of our highest commendation.

Whereas we deplore the present financial condition of the board of health, we hope proper means may be taken to make appropriations for funds to defray its expenses.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent the Medina County Commissioners and public press.

—Mrs. Gail T. Abbott went to Fairview hospital, Cleveland, on Monday, to undergo an operation. Mrs. Abbott's condition was not reported.

TESTED HERDS IN COUNTY INCREASING

It will be of interest to know that Medina county is one of the foremost counties taking an active part in getting rid of tubercular cattle.

The following men are owners of herds that are on the accredited list in Ohio:

A. G. Abbott, Wadsworth, Jersey 11 cattle; George Abbott, Chippewa Lake, Jersey 21 cattle; C. L. Briggs, Lodi, Holstein 9 cattle; C. W. Damon & Co. Brunswick, Jersey 30 cattle; Harry Lance, Medina, Shorthorn 8 cattle; C. I. Miller, Medina, Holstein 21 cattle; O. L. Robinson, Medina, Guernsey 17 cattle; Grant E. Tillotson, Brunswick, Jersey 9 cattle.

Following are the names of owners of herds in process of accreditation: W. J. Allard, Medina, Holstein; Carl Buel, Litchfield, Holstein; Grant Chidsey, Brunswick, Jersey; Albert Foster, Spencer, Holstein; C. E. Harris & Son, Medina, Jersey; E. C. Loehr, Medina, Holstein; C. W. Mann Medina, Shorthorn; Medina County Infirmary, Medina, Holstein; E. W. Nettleton, Medina, Holstein; F. L. Reid, Medina, Holstein; V. F. Ricker, Medina, Jersey; H. E. Weltmer, Medina, Shorthorn; Edwin Wilkinson, Brunswick, Jersey; H. M. Woodard, Medina, Holstein.

Over 30 more owners have made application and are expecting to have their herds tested in July. New applications are being received nearly every day. Those interested are urged to get in line now, because tuberculosis eradication is coming. You may not be able to get compensation for diseased animals later. The Farm Bureau Office will be glad to furnish you the application blanks.

C. H. YOST HEADS TESTING ASSOCIATION

Pet, a four-year-old cow, produced 1900 lbs. of milk and 60.81 pounds butter fat for the month of May. She is a cross between Holstein and Jersey, both of which are pure bred, and her owner is C. H. Yost of Lafayette township.

Mr. Zimmerman, tester, states that there were 248 cows tested by him last month, 41 of which produced over 40 lbs. of butter fat for the month of May.

The herd having the highest butterfat average is owned by the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company at Leroy. This herd consists of 5 pure bred Jerseys. It produced a total of 5799 pounds of milk and 277.8 pounds of butterfat, or an average per cow of 1156 lbs. milk and 55.57 pounds of fat.

The herd having the highest average stein, and consists of 5 cows. They produced a total of 7092 pounds of milk and 238.47 pounds of fat or an average per cow of 1418 pounds of milk record is owned by C. H. Yost. The cows in this herd are mainly Holstein and 47.6 pounds fat.

Following is a list of cows in this association that produced over 50 pounds fat for the month:

C. H. Yost 60.81, Geo. F. Abbot J 58.48, C. H. Yost H. (Gr) 56.1, Ohio Farmers Insurance Co. J 56.18, C. F. Fuller H (Gr) 53.28, F. D. Koons H 53.18, C. E. Pierce H. (Gr) 52.79 C. H. Yost, J (Gr) 51.20, Ohio Farmers Ins. Co. J 50.78, J. K. B. Hn H 50.76, F. D. Koons J (Gr) 50.57.

LEGION MAN HASTENS WIDOW'S PENSION

Another example of the fact that the American Legion is an organization whose first concern is the benefit of the widows and orphans of deceased service men comes to light with the award to Mrs. Melissa Welton of Harmony street of a widow's pension. Mrs. Welton's husband served thru the entire Civil War, and she made application many months ago for the pension to which she was entitled. However, the mills of the gods have nothing on the government departments when it comes to the speed with which they grind, and the delay was very disheartening.

A member of the District of Columbia Department of the American Legion, resident in Medina, took Mrs. Welton's case up with the Department Adjutant, with the result that he personally investigated the matter and received the verbal assurance of the Pension office that the case would be given prompt attention.

The many friends of Mrs. Welton are glad that she has obtained what was her due.

—Miss Gladys Chapman, formerly of Medina, was married last Saturday at her parents' home in Northville, Mich., to Mr. Harry Deyo.

OHIO WOOL BEST IN UNITED STATES

Effort Being Made to Restore Industry to Former Glories.

SHEEP FLOCKS HAVE SHRUNK IN FEW YEARS

Co-operative Selling Means More Money for Growers Without Increase Cost to Public.

Do you know that Ohio wool is regarded as the best wool in the United States and that Medina county wool growers are rapidly coming to their own through affiliation with the state organization, of which a Medina county man is a member of the executive committee?

Do you know that wool is good for other things besides making garments, yarn and fabrics; that the sheep furnishes not only clothing and skin goods and food, but also a healing lotion as well?

These are questions that the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, in its efforts to help restore the sheep and wool industry of the state to its former glories, is asking the people.

In other words, the bureau is asking the people of Ohio, from week to week, the question "How much do you know about your state?" and asking with a specific application.

The specific application is to wool and the bureau answers its own questions.

Ohio had and has the best wool because, according to members of the Ohio Sheep & Wool Breeders' Association Ohio men have given more attention than others to breeding.

Ohio was the birthplace of the fine wool staple idea. Ohio fleeces are regarded as best because of the strength, length of the staple and fine quality of fiber that characterizes them.

Breeding of Delaines has been followed extensively and with marked improvement, and it is the Delaines that make the finer wool.

Shropshires, it is pointed out, are bred mostly for mutton and the wool from them and the mixed breeds is medium. About half the wool produced annually in Ohio is fine staple and half medium.

Wool men grade the producing sheep as quarter-bloods, three-eighths and Delaine. With a breeding of less than one-half, the wool becomes, under present standards, medium to poor. Delaine wools are used exclusively in fine clothing.

Sheep flocks in Ohio have shrunk one-half in the last few years. Last year there were about 2,800,000 sheep in the state as against 5,500,000 at the high point a few years ago. Probably the number this year is 10 per cent. less than it was last year, and sheep men say there is no encouragement to increase the present number.

The gathering of by-products begins with the washing of the wool. Farmers no longer drive their flocks to water to wash them before the spring shearing, as in the past. The wool is sent to the mills as shorn.

There it is scoured, and freed from

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WEDNESDAY MATINEE

The racing events Wednesday afternoon by the Medina Matinee club drew another large crowd and again there was some good racing and many close finishes furnished. Following were the results:

First Event
Mary L. Quise, McDowell 1 2
Typhoid Fever, Appleby, Me. 3 2 1
Babe Olin, Sweet 1 3 3
Time: 2:36 1-2, 2:37, 2:32 3-4.

Second Event
Dr. Jolia, Bowman 1 1 1
Bay Sure, Indoe 2 2 Dr
Prince Bingen, McDowell 3 3 2
Time: 2:25 1-2, 2:24, 1:38 3-4.

Third Event
Maggie M., Bowman 1 1 1
John K., Spitzer, McDonald 3 2 2
Lee McKerran, Clark 2 3 2
Time: 2:19 3-4, 2:20, 2:21.

Running—one eighth mile dash
Judy, Lutz 1
Billy, Letterly 2
Funch, McDowell 3
Maggie, O'Brien, Jones 4
Gloomy Gus, McDowell 5
Time: 14 seconds.